PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Water Users

(Pursuant to Section 85-2-307, MCA)

The following application has been submitted to change a water right in the State of Montana.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION PROPOSES TO GRANT AN APPLICATION TO CHANGE A WATER RIGHT. DESCRIBED BELOW ARE THE PERTINENT FACTS WHICH SUMMARIZE THE APPLICATION. THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION (PD) DOCUMENTING THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ANY CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THE WATER RIGHT ARE AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AT http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/.

OBJECTION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 17, 2021. THE DEPARTMENT CAN ONLY ACCEPT OBJECTIONS FILED ON AN OBJECTION TO APPLICATION, FORM 611. MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM AND THE \$25.00 FILING FEE TO THE DNRC, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 BY THE DEADLINE SPECIFIED. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, TO OBTAIN THE PD OR OBJECTION FORM TO THE WATER RESOURCES OFFICE AT 1424 9TH AVENUE, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 FAX: 406-444-9317 PHONE: 406-444-6999.

Application Number: 41B 30153057

Applicant: USA (DEPT OF INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MGMT)

5001 SOUTHGATE DR BILLINGS, MT 59101 4669

WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right TypeWater Right NumberPriority DateSTATEMENT OF CLAIM41B 30139637MARCH 16, 1938

Historical Consumptive Volume: 4.70 AC-FT Historical Diverted Volume: 4.70 AC-FT

PAST USE OF WATER

PAST USE OF THIS WATER RIGHT HAS SERVED A STOCK WATER PURPOSE FOR 140 ANIMAL UNITS DRINKING DIRECT FROM GALLAGHER CREEK IN THE NENE AND NENWNE SEC. 11, THE NESW, NWNW, SENW, SESW, SWNW, AND SWSE SEC. 12 AND THE NENE, NWNE, SENE SEC. 13, ALL IN T9S, R10W IN BEAVERHEAD COUNTY. THE HISTORICAL PERIODS OF DIVERSION AND USE HAVE BEEN YEAR-ROUND. LIVESTOCK DIRECT FROM SOURCE USE IS NOT ASSIGNED A FLOW RATE. BOTH THE DIVERTED AND CONSUMED VOLUME IS 4.7 AF/YEAR.

PROPOSED CHANGE

FLOW RATE: 5.35 GPM

THIS CHANGE APPLICATION PROPOSES TO ADD A POINT OF DIVERSION AND A PLACE OF USE. THE PROPOSED NEW POINT OF DIVERSION IS A COLLECTION BOX IN GALLAGHER CREEK IN THE SWNENE SEC. 11, T09S, R10W (BEAVERHEAD COUNTY). A GRAVITY-FED 1.25" SURFACE PIPELINE IS PROPOSED TO CONVEY WATER 0.9 MILES TO THE PROPOSED NEW PLACE OF USE, A STOCK TANK LOCATED IN THE SWNWNW OF SEC. 1, T09S, R10W (BEAVERHEAD COUNTY). THE STOCK TANK WILL SERVE 140 ANIMAL UNITS IN THE NORTH GALLAGHER PASTURE, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL UPLAND WATERING SOURCE. THE PROPOSED FLOW RATE FOR THE NEW DIVERSION IS 5.35 GPM. NO CHANGES ARE PROPOSED TO THE YEAR-ROUND PERIOD OF USE OR TO THE DIVERTED/CONSUMED VOLUME OF 4.7 AF/YEAR. THE SAME 140 ANIMAL UNITS WILL CONTINUE DIRECT FROM SOURCE USE OF GALLAGHER CREEK WHILE THEY ARE IN THE SOUTH GALLAGHER PASTURE.

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